

## AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Applicant hereby submits one (1) sheet of substitute drawings, which adds “PRIOR ART” to

Figure 1.

## REMARKS


Figure 1 has been objected to due to minor informalities. The figure has been amended to include the Prior Art legend. Claims 2 and 9 have been objected to due to informalities. The claims have been amended to obviate the Examiner's rejection.

Claims 1, 2 and 4 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Saint et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,741,021. Additionally, the Examiner has indicated Claims 5-9 have been objected to as being dependent upon a base claim, but will be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The claims have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's comments and thus claims 1, 2, 4 and claims 6-10 are patentably distinguishable from the prior art of record.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the amended claims and the claims dependent there from are in proper form.

The application is now considered to be in condition for allowance, and an early indication of same is earnestly solicited.

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